

1. Used to, get used to & be used to

- 1) I find it hard to _____ to the dark evenings in winter.
- 2) Have you _____ it yet?
- 3) It's taking me a long time to _____ speaking Norwegian.
- 4) I always hated the cold weather but I _____ it when I lived in Russia.
- 5) We _____ negative feedback about our old product, but the new formula is really successful. (GET)
- 6) I work from home so I _____ (NOT/HAVE) people around me all day.
- 7) I heard Eliza got promoted! _____ her as your boss yet? (HAVE)
- 8) You've stopped hiking? But why? You _____ all the time. (GO)
- 9) I've been a nurse for two years but I don't know if I _____ night shifts. (WILL/WORK)
- 10) I _____ the guitar but I don't have time now. (PLAY)
- 11) When I started to work here I needed a lot of help, but now I _____ all the work on my own. (DO)

2. Fill in the blanks with past perfect/simple past form of verbs given in the bracket.

- 1) Kartik _____ (type) all the letters before his boss _____ (come) back.
- 2) By the time Ragini _____ (reach) home, her kids _____ (go) to play.
- 3) The students _____ (complete) their assignments before they _____ (submit).
- 4) The patient _____ (breathe) heavily a few times before he _____ (die).
- 5) Before he _____ (reach) the hospital, the injured man _____ (die) of blood loss.
- 6) When the bell _____ (ring), I _____ (finish) my paper.

3. Complete with the Phrasal Verbs of Turn or Take

1. I thought it was going to rain, but it _____ to be a lovely day.
2. She _____ their offer because the salary wasn't high enough.
3. He looks like his mother; he _____ her
4. Very few people _____ for the meeting.
5. He tried a couple of judo lessons and _____ it right away because he found it made him feel so much fitter
6. The music's very loud, could you _____ it _____ ?
7. He was a horrible child but he has _____ a very pleasant young man.

8. He _____ swimming when his doctor told him he needed to take more exercise

9. I can't be bothered to cook tonight, so I'll get an Indian _____

4 Choose the correct answer.

1. I heard a knock at the front door so I (went / was going) to answer it.

2. At this time yesterday, I (wrote / was writing) an essay.

3. The football season (began / was beginning) a month ago.

4. She (had graduated / graduated) from school in 2001.

5. We entered the house quietly because everyone (was sleeping / had slept).

6. By the time we (got / had got) to the cinema, the film (had already / was already) started.

7. The children (were playing / played) in the garden while their parents were watching them.

8. They (had left / left) many hours before we (arrived / had arrived)

5. Choose the sentence which is closer in meaning to the original.

1. I had already seen the film but I decided to watch it again last night.

a. I watched the film last night for the first time.

b. Last night wasn't the first time that I had seen the film.

2. The boys were playing football while it was raining.

a. The boys were playing football until it started to rain.

b. The boys played football in the rain.

3. I was writing an e-mail when our computer broke down.

a. Our computer broke down before I wrote an e-mail.

b. I had started writing an e-mail and then our computer broke down.

4. My aunt bought me a lovely gift after she had spent the summer holiday with us.

a. When the summer holiday was over, my aunt bought me a lovely gift.

b. While my aunt was spending the summer holiday with us, she bought us a lovely gift.

6. Complete the passage with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Until a few years ago, no one 1.. (hear) of Harry Potter, the young wizard and hero of the children's book Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. The writer, J K Rowling, 2. (already / write) several stories and books, but this

was the first book that was published. She 3. (get) the idea for the story of a wizard at magic school while she 4. (travel) on a train to London. By the time the train 5. (reach) King's Cross station, she 6. (invent) most of the characters. When the book was published in 1997, no one 7. (imagine) it would be such a tremendous success, but it quickly 8. (become) a bestseller. While millions of young readers in many countries 9. (enjoy) her first Harry Potter book, J K Rowling 10. (think) of ideas for the next book in this incredibly popular series.

7. Past perfect simple and continuous → Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1) Peter was Sally's best friend. She _____ (know) him all her life.
- 2) The children were wet because they _____ (play) football in the rain.
- 3) We were very hungry because we _____ (not / eat).
- 4) I was delighted when I found my keys. I _____ (look) for them for hours.
- 5) She was exhausted because she _____ (work) since eight o'clock that morning.
- 6) Everything was white because it _____ (snow).
- 7) The passengers were angry because the airline _____ (lose) everyone's bags.
- 8) I _____ (not / see) Jacob for several years, but I recognised him immediately.